

Award	Award Sponsor	Description
Outstanding Entry for Use of Materials from a Connecticut Museum or Collecting Institution	Connecticut League of History Organizations	For over 50 years, the Connecticut League has strengthened and sustained our state's history and museum community by sharing knowledge and experience and promoting best practices among all who steward Connecticut's past. This prize is awarded to the entry (any category or division) that best utilizes primary resources from a Connecticut collecting institution: a museum, historical society, library, archive, community heritage organization, or other historic site.
Outstanding Entry in Native American History	Akomawt Educational Initiative	Akomawt Educational Initiative is dedicated to furthering knowledge of Native America through innovative learning approaches designed to impact how we teach history and contemporary social issues. This prize (any category or division) recognizes the outstanding entry focused on Native American history.
Outstanding Entry in 17th Century Connecticut History	Society of the Descendants of the Founders of Hartford	This prize is awarded to the outstanding entry (in any category or division) relating to the history of Connecticut in the seventeenth century. This prize is awarded by The Society of the Descendants of the Founders of Hartford, a charitable and educational society that promotes the widest public interest in Hartford history.
Prize for Outstanding Entry in American Legal History.	Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society	The Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society exists to promote the study and learning of judicial and constitutional history and traditions. The society therefore presents an award to an Outstanding Connecticut History Day entry in any category of division that relates to law in American history, with priority going to law in Connecticut history
Outstanding Entry in Connecticut History	Connecticuthistory.org, a program of CT Humanities	Connecticuthistory.org, a program of CT Humanities, is an active website that is our state's home for stories and resources about the people, traditions, innovations, and events that make up the history of Connecticut. This special prize is awarded to the project (any category or division) that focuses on a Connecticut-related topic of any time period. The prize can relate to a Connecticut event, movement, place or person.
Outstanding Entry Related to an Under-Represented Connecticut Community	Connecticut Landmarks	Founded in 1936, Connecticut Landmarks is a state-wide network of twelve historic properties that span four centuries of Connecticut history. The organization works with the Sites of Conscience program to explore and tell stories of the under-represented in history. This prize (any category or division) recognizes an outstanding entry focused on under-represented histories, such as Black history, LGBTQIA+ history, Latino history, Native history, women's history, or the history of another under-represented community in Connecticut.
David O. White Prize for Outstanding Entry in African-American History	Association for the Study of Connecticut History	The Association for the Study of Connecticut History promotes the study of the history of Connecticut. This prize commemorates longtime ASCH Board Member, David White's expertise and interest in African-American history. The prize is awarded to the outstanding entry (any category, either division) that relates to African-American history.
Outstanding Entry in Latinx History	The Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity and Transnational Migration at Yale University	The Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity and Transnational Migration at Yale fosters intellectual exchanges that cross institutional, disciplinary, and geographic borders; enrich and challenge academic fields; and foreground underrepresented perspectives. This prize is awarded (any category or division) to a project that demonstrates excellence in the study of Latinx history in the United States.
Outstanding Entry in Asian American History	The Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity and Transnational Migration at Yale University	The Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity and Transnational Migration at Yale fosters intellectual exchanges that cross institutional, disciplinary, and geographic borders; enrich and challenge academic fields; and foreground underrepresented perspectives. This prize is awarded (any category or division) to a project that demonstrates excellence in the study of Asian American history in the United States.
George Washington Leadership in History Prize	The Washington Library at George Washington's Mount Vernon	George Washington stood at the center of the world stage through the second half of the 18th century and has continued to do so since his death in 1799. He played a pivotal role in the founding of our nation in his roles as commander in chief, president at the Constitutional Convention, citizen farmer, and the President of the United States of America. His actions have been examples of civic responsibility, patriotism, and historic complexity over time and remain relevant in national dialogue today. Presented by George Washington's Mount Vernon, this prize will be awarded to outstanding projects in both the Junior and Senior Divisions that demonstrate an understanding of the lasting impact of George Washington's leadership in both American and World History. Special consideration will be given to projects that use innovative and compelling ways to showcase how Washington's legacy of personal, political, and military leadership had a lasting impact on people and moments in history.
Outstanding Entry that incorporates a building, landscape or archeological site in the US that promotes a historic preservation ethic	Connecticut State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)	This award (any category, either division) is presented to the Connecticut History Day project that best incorporates a preserved building, landscape or archeological site of historical significance in the United States. The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is responsible for overseeing the governmental program of historic preservation for Connecticut's citizens. SHPO administers a range of federal and state programs that identify, register and protect the buildings, sites, structures, districts and objects that comprise Connecticut's cultural heritage. SHPO also operates four state-owned museums, the Henry Whitfield State Museum (Guilford), Old New-Gate Prison & Copper Mine (East Granby), The Prudence Crandall Museum (Canterbury).
Outstanding Entry in World History Junior & Senior Division Prizes	Connecticut Council for the Social Studies	CCSS is organized and maintained to advocate and advance the study and teaching of the social studies, to promote the professional interests of teachers and others engaged in social studies education, and to encourage and support meaningful development and implementation of social studies curriculum and instructional methods. This prize is awarded to the outstanding entries in the junior and senior division (any category) that explores a World History (non-American) topic.
Outstanding Entry related to immigration, urbanization or the industrial working class	Slater Memorial Museum	Since its opening in 1888, Slater Memorial Museum has been an educational resource on the campus of Norwich Free Academy and to the general public. For over 130 years, the museum has sat at the heart of Norwich's diverse community, comprised of working-class individuals and families, many of whom immigrated from all corners of the world. This award is presented to a student from any division and any category whose entry connects deeply to stories of immigration, urbanization, and the experience of the industrial working classes.
Outstanding Entry Related to Equality/Equity in Education	Prudence Crandall Museum	This award (any category, either division) is presented to the project that best relates the topic of equality/equity in education. The Prudence Crandall Museum, a National Historic Landmark, is the original site of a higher education academy for African American young women founded by Crandall in 1833 and forced to close seventeen months later due to mob violence. Through its story, the museum confronts the struggle for equity in education, places the school in the context of the history of the worldwide fight for Civil Rights, and encourages its audience to engage in civic dialogue and activity.
Outstanding Award Related to a Social Justice Issue	History Department, Southern Connecticut State University	Southern Connecticut State University provides exemplary graduate and undergraduate education in the liberal arts and professional disciplines. As an intentionally diverse and comprehensive university, Southern is committed to academic excellence, access, social justice, and service for the public good. This prize is awarded to the outstanding entry (any category, either division) that explores an issue of social justice.
Outstanding Entry Related to Civics, Government, or Citizenship Junior & Senior Division Prizes	Connecticut Democracy Center	CTDC is committed to strengthening civic engagement and participation by providing comprehensive and unbiased educational programming and outreach on state government, civics and citizenship throughout the state of Connecticut. This prize is awarded to the outstanding entry (any category) for both the Junior and Senior Division that relates to an aspect of civics, government of civic participation. Priority is given to projects focused on state government.

Outstanding Entry Related to Slavery or Abolition Junior & Senior Division Prizes	The Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition	The GLC is dedicated to the investigation and dissemination of knowledge concerning all aspects of chattel slavery and its destruction. This prize is awarded to the outstanding entry (any category) in both the junior and senior division that relates to slavery and its abolition. Projects are not limited to American history, but can focus on global topics.
Outstanding Entry in Women's History	Harriet Beecher Stowe Center	The Harriet Beecher Stowe Center uses Stowe's life and work to inspire YOU to change your world. This prize is awarded to the outstanding entry (any category) in both the junior and senior division that focuses on the contribution, accomplishments, experiences and perspectives of women in history.
Outstanding Entry that Best Incorporates Jewish History, Heritage and/or a Jewish Personality	Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County	The Jewish Historical Society of Fairfield County provides historical and educational materials and information about the Jewish community of Fairfield County and serves the community through its membership and its archival resources. This prize is awarded the most outstanding entry that best focuses on an event in Jewish History, Jewish contributions to society or a Jewish personality.
Outstanding Entry in the Arts	Wadsworth Atheneum	The Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art is the oldest continuously operating public art museum in the United States, founded in 1842. This prize is awarded to an outstanding entry (any category or division) that focuses on the arts. The term "arts" can refer to the fine arts (such as painting or drawing), along with music, philosophy, or literature.
Special Prize for an Outstanding Entry in Aerospace or Technological History	New England Air Museum	The New England Air Museum is dedicated to preserving our region's aerospace legacy both past and present. This prize is awarded to a project in any division or category that celebrates aerospace history and/or the history of technology and innovation.
Outstanding Entry Related to Debate and Diplomacy in History in Military History	UConn Office of Veterans Affairs and Military Programs	UConn's Office of Veterans Affairs & Military Programs supports students, staff, and faculty at UConn who served in the military, are still serving in the military (i.e. Active Duty, Guard, and Reserves), and their families. We certify educational benefits, connect individuals to necessary VA and campus resources, coordinate events, and provide programs such as the Veterans History Project to help connect Veterans with the larger community. This award (any category, either division) is presented to the project that best exemplifies debate and diplomacy in military history.
The Bruce Stave Special Prize for the Best Use of Oral History Prize	Connecticut Coalition for History	The Connecticut Coalition for History, formerly the CT Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History, encourages the study and appreciation of history by serving as a clearinghouse of information about the history community and as a facilitator and advocate on behalf of our diverse constituencies. Given in memory of renowned oral historian, Bruce Stave, this prize recognizes the project that utilizes oral history as a key part of the research.
Free Connecticut Explored subscription for students winning First Place and their teachers	Connecticut Explored, the magazine of Connecticut History	Connecticut Explored is the magazine and podcast of Connecticut history. A nonprofit organization, Connecticut Explored celebrated their 10th anniversary in 2012 and in Spring 2015 printed their 50th issue. First place finishers (in all categories and divisions) at the State Contest receive a free subscription to the magazine, as do their teachers.
Bill Brayfield Award for 1st Place Junior Group Documentary	Connecticut Coalition for History	The Connecticut Coalition for History, formerly the CT Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History, encourages the study and appreciation of history by serving as a clearinghouse of information about the history community and as a facilitator and advocate on behalf of our diverse constituencies. The Bill Brayfield Award is given to the project that wins first place in Junior Group Documentary in memory of Professor Bill Brayfield, one of the originators of NHD in Connecticut
Bruce Fraser Prize for Outstanding Senior Paper	Connecticut Coalition for History	The Connecticut Coalition for History, formerly the CT Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History, encourages the study and appreciation of history by serving as a clearinghouse of information about the history community and as a facilitator and advocate on behalf of our diverse constituencies. The Bruce Fraser Award is given to the student who wins first place in Senior Papers in memory of Bruce Fraser, the longtime director of Connecticut Humanities.